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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In the Matter of the Application of: Roland Kraus

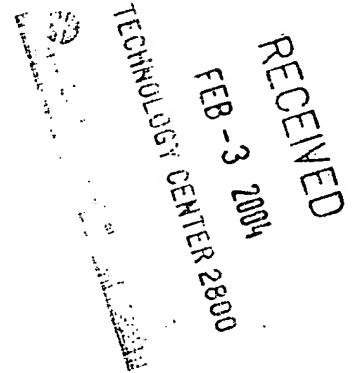
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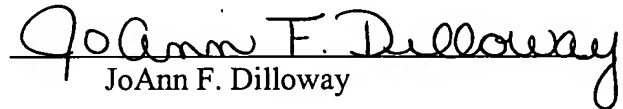
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 3, 2003 that has a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 3, 2004, please amend the application as follows:

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